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SUBJECT: GON DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PLANS

1. SUMMARY: DURING DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE BUDGET DEBATE DEC 4,
MINISTER PRONK SAID GON WOULD SUPPORT LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN
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LIBERATED AREAS BUT NOT WITH ARMS AND PREFERABLY THROUGH THE UNITED

NATIONS, BUT ALSO BILATERALLY OR THROUGH PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. PRONK SAID GON WILL CONTINUE SUSPEND AID TO CHILE BUT WILL CONSIDER ASSISTANCE TO SPECIFIC PROJECTS OF DIRECT BENEFIT TO CHILEAN PEOPLE THROUGH PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE MINISTER SAID HE DID NOT FAVOR BILATERAL AID AGREEMENTS WITH GOVERNMENTS OF VIET-NAM OR CAMBODIA BUT PREFERRED WORK WITH MULTI-LATERAL ORGANIZATION SUCH AS MEKONG COMMITTEE. PRONK SAID HE WILL BE DECIDING WITHIN WEEK ON MANNER OF SPENDING 30 MILLION GUILDERS (SUM PROMISED LAST FEBRUARY) FOR AID TO INDOCHINA. END SUMMARY.

2. DURING COURSE OF DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE DEBATE IN SECOND CHAMBER DEC 4, MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PRONK SAID GON SUPPORT TO LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AIMED AT WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE IN LIBERATED AREAS AND WOULD CONSIST PRIMARILY OF MORAL AND MATERIAL SUPPORT. PRONK ASSURED CHAMBER GON AID DID NOT ENCOMPASS ARMS PURCHASES OR WOULD HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH MILITARY OPERATIONS. IN FIRST INSTANCE AID WOULD BE GIVEN THROUGH UNITED NATIONS, BUT ALSO BILATERALLY. PRONK SAID CONSULATIONS WERE GOING ON WITH PRIVATE GROUPS SUCH AS CHURCHES ABOUT GON SUPPORT FOR THEIR ANTI-RACISM PROGRAM. DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE MINISTER SAID GON DID NOT PLAN TO GIVE DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO PARTICULAR GROUPS BUT HOPED TO HELP BY USING PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. AS AN EXAMPLE, HE CITED ASSISTANCE TO DUTCH TRADE UNIONS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO ASSIST TRADE UNIONS IN LIBERATED AREAS. ANTICIPATING QUESTIONS OVER SUPERVISION OF EFFECTIVE USE OF SUCH BI-LATERAL AID, PRONK SAID THAT AS RESULT OF SCANDINAVIAN EXPERIENCE HE THOUGHT THIS PARTICULAR PROBLEM COULD BE SOLVED, AND HE WILL DISCUSS IT DURING FORTHCOMING VISITS TO BOTH SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

3. CHILE. PRONK SAID AID TO CHILE REMAINS SUSPENDED IN TERMS OF NEW LOANS AND EXECUTION OF PROJECTS UNDER CURRENT LOANS. GON HAS ASKED PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS TO WHICH GOVT MAKES FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION, HOWEVER, TO SUBMIT CONCRETE PROPOSALS FOR EXECUTION OF PROJECTS WHICH ARE OF DIRECT BENEFIT TO CHILEAN PEOPLE. HERE PRONK SAID HE WAS THINKING OF WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, WHICH HAS ASKED FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO AID REFUGEES, AND TO GIVE HUMANITARIAN AID AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE.

4. SOUTHEAST ASIA. PRONK SAID HE HOPED TO DECIDE WITHIN ONE WEEK
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ON HOW THE GON WOULD SPEND 30 MILLION GUILDERS WHICH HAD BEEN PROMISED LAST FEBRUARY FOR AID TO INDOCHINA. PRONK SAID THE UNCERTAIN SITUATION IN VIETNAM, LAOS AND CAMBODIA COMPLICATED DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE DECISIONS IN THESE AREAS. THE MINISTER SAID HE FAVORED MULTI-LATERAL AID VIA THE MEKONG COMMITTEE, AND HE WAS DISINCLINED TOWARD BI-LATERAL AID AGREEMENTS WITH THE GOVTS OF SOUTH VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA.

5. INDONESIA. REFERRING TO RECENT VISIT TO INDONESIA, PRONK SAID
HE HAD GONE THERE WITH DOUBTS WHICH HAD NOT BEEN DISPELLED. HE
SAID HE FAILED TO OBTAIN COMPLETE ANSWERS TO CONCRETE QUESTIONS HE
HAD POSED ABOUT NATURE OF THE INDONDEIAN GOVT'S DEVELOPMENT POLICY,
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